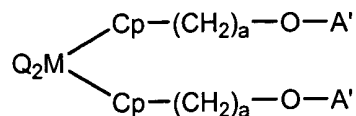


WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A metallocene compound of Chemical Formula 7:



wherein M comprises a transition metal of Group 4;

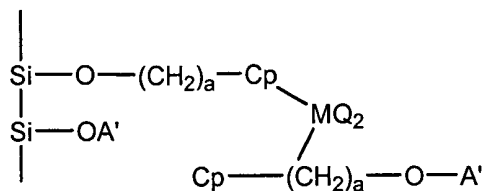
Cp, which can be the same or different, comprises a cyclopentadienyl ring, wherein the cyclopentadienyl ring is unsubstituted or substituted by a moiety selected from the group consisting of alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, alkenyl, alkylaryl, arylalkyl, and arylalkenyl;

Q, which can be the same or different, comprises halogen or a moiety comprising from 1 to 20 carbon atoms, wherein the moiety is selected from the group consisting of alkyl, alkenyl, aryl, alkylaryl, arylalkyl, and alkylidene, wherein the alkyl, alkenyl, aryl, alkylaryl, arylalkyl, and alkylidene;

A', which can be the same or different, is selected from the group consisting of methoxymethyl, t-butoxymethyl, tetrahydropyranyl, tetrahydrofuranyl, 1-ethoxylethyl, 1-methyl-1-methoxyethyl, and t-butyl; and

a comprises an integer of from 4 to 8.

2. The metallocene compound according to claim 1, wherein A' comprises t-butyl.
3. The metallocene compound according to claim 1, wherein a is 6.
4. A supported metallocene catalyst of formula:



wherein M comprises a transition metal of Group 4;

Cp, which can be the same or different, comprises a cyclopentadienyl ring, wherein the cyclopentadienyl ring is unsubstituted or substituted by a moiety selected from the group consisting of alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, alkenyl, alkylaryl, arylalkyl, and arylalkenyl;

Q, which can be the same or different, comprises halogen or a moiety comprising from 1 to 20 carbon atoms, wherein the moiety is selected from the group consisting of alkyl, alkenyl, aryl, alkylaryl, arylalkyl, and alkylidene, wherein the alkyl, alkenyl, aryl, alkylaryl, arylalkyl, and alkylidene;

A', which can be the same or different, is selected from the group consisting of methoxymethyl, t-butoxymethyl, tetrahydropyranyl, tetrahydrofuranyl, 1-ethoxyethyl, 1-methyl-1-methoxyethyl, and t-butyl; and

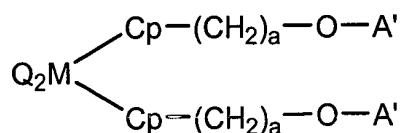
a comprises an integer of from 4 to 8.

5. The supported metallocene catalyst according to claim 4, wherein A' comprises t-butyl.

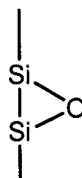
6. The supported metallocene catalyst according to claim 4, wherein a is 6.

7. A method for preparing a supported metallocene catalyst, the method comprising the step of:

reacting a metallocene compound of Chemical Formula 7:



with a silica support of formula:



in an organic solvent, wherein:

M comprises a transition metal of Group 4;

Cp, which can be the same or different, comprises a cyclopentadienyl ring, wherein the cyclopentadienyl ring is unsubstituted or substituted by a moiety selected from the group consisting of alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, alkenyl, alkylaryl, arylalkyl, and arylalkenyl;

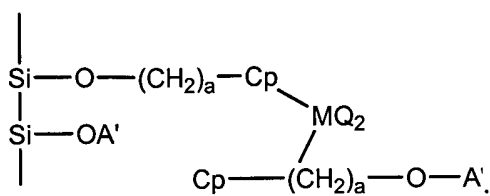
Q, which can be the same or different, comprises halogen or a moiety comprising from 1 to 20 carbon atoms, wherein the moiety is selected from

the group consisting of alkyl, alkenyl, aryl, alkylaryl, arylalkyl, and alkylidene, wherein the alkyl, alkenyl, aryl, alkylaryl, arylalkyl, and alkylidene;

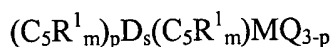
A', which can be the same or different, is selected from the group consisting of methoxymethyl, t-butoxymethyl, tetrahydropyranyl, tetrahydrofuranyl, 1-ethoxyethyl, 1-methyl-1-methoxyethyl, and t-butyl; and

a comprises an integer of from 4 to 8;

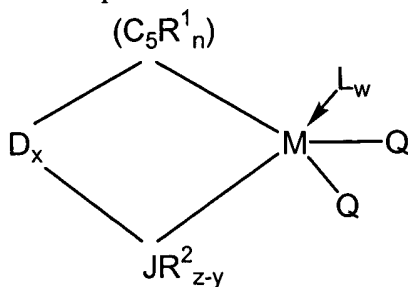
whereby one O-A' bond in the metallocene compound of Chemical Formula 7 is cleaved to yield a metallocene portion and A', and whereby two new bonds are formed, wherein the metallocene portion is bonded to a silica atom of the silica support via an oxygen atom, and simultaneously A' is bonded to another silica atom of the silica support via an oxygen atom, to yield a supported metallocene catalyst of formula:



8. The method according to claim 7, wherein the silica support comprises a hydroxyl group amount of less than 0.5 mmol/g.
9. The method according to claim 7, wherein A' comprises t-butyl.
10. The method according to claim 7, wherein a is 6.
11. A metallocene compound of Chemical Formula 1 or Chemical Formula 2, wherein Chemical Formula 1 comprises:



and wherein Chemical Formula 2 comprises:



wherein at least one hydrogen atom of R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, and D is substituted by a group of Chemical Formula 6, wherein:

M is a transition metal of Group 4;

$(C_5R^1_m)$  and  $(C_5R^1_n)$  each comprise a cyclopentadienyl ring, wherein each  $R^1$ , which can be the same or different, is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen,  $C_{1-40}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-40}$  cycloalkyl,  $C_{1-40}$  aryl,  $C_{1-40}$  alkenyl,  $C_{1-40}$  alkylaryl,  $C_{1-40}$  arylalkyl,  $C_{1-40}$  arylalkenyl, and a metalloid of Group 14 substituted by a hydrocarbyl group; and two  $R^1$  can form a hydrocarbyl group which joins together two adjacent carbon atoms of a cyclopentadienyl ring to form one or more  $C_4 - C_{16}$  rings;

D is selected from the group consisting of an alkylene carbon chain, an arylene carbon chain, an alkenylene carbon chain, a dialkyl germanium, a dialkyl silicon, an alkyl phosphine, an alkyl amine group substituting on and bridging two cyclopentadienyl ligands, and an alkyl amine group substituting on and bridging a cyclopentadienyl ligand and  $JR^2_{z-y}$  ligand by a covalent bond;

$R^2$  is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen,  $C_{1-40}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-40}$  aryl,  $C_{1-40}$  alkenyl,  $C_{1-40}$  alkylaryl, and  $C_{1-40}$  arylalkyl;

J comprises an element of Group 15 or Group 16;

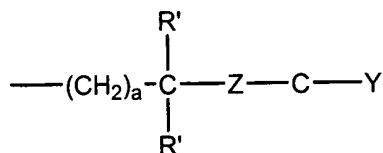
each Q, which can be the same or different, is selected from the group consisting of halogen,  $C_{1-20}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-20}$  alkenyl,  $C_{1-20}$  aryl,  $C_{1-20}$  alkylaryl, and  $C_{1-20}$  alkylidene;

L comprises a Lewis base;

s is 0 or 1 and p is 0, 1 or 2, provided that when p is 0 then s is 0, when s is 1 then m is 4 and p is 1, and when s is 0 then m is 5 and p is 0;

z is a valence number of J, provided that when J is an atom of Group 15 then z is 3, and when J is an atom of Group 16 then z is 2;

x is 0 or 1, provided that when x is 0 then n is 5, y is 1, and w is greater than 0, and when x is 1, then n is 4, y is 2, and w is 0; and wherein Chemical Formula 6 comprises:



wherein, Z is oxygen atom or sulfur atom;

each R', which can be the same or different, is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> cycloalkyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> aryl, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkylaryl, C<sub>1-20</sub> arylalkyl, and C<sub>1-20</sub> arylalkenyl; and two R' can join together to form a ring;

Y is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> cycloalkyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> aryl, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkylaryl, C<sub>1-20</sub> arylalkyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> arylalkenyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1-20</sub> aryloxy, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkylthio, C<sub>1-20</sub> arylthio, phenyl, and substituted phenyl; and Y and R' can join together to form a ring;

a is an integer of 4 to 8, provided that when Z is a sulfur atom then Y is alkoxy or aryloxy; and when Y is not an alkoxy or aryloxy then Z is an oxygen atom.

12. The metallocene compound according to claim 11, wherein Y is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> cycloalkyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> aryl, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkylaryl, C<sub>1-20</sub> arylalkyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> arylalkenyl, phenyl, and substituted phenyl.

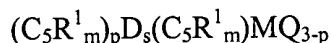
13. The metallocene compound according to claim 11, wherein Y comprises t-butyl.

14. The metallocene compound according to claim 11, wherein a is 6.

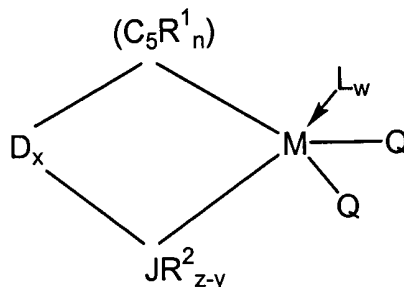
15. A supported metallocene compound prepared by the reaction of:

a) a metallocene compound of Chemical Formula 1 or Chemical Formula

2, wherein Chemical Formula 1 comprises:



and wherein Chemical Formula 2 comprises:



wherein at least one hydrogen atom of  $R^1$ ,  $R^2$ , and  $D$  is substituted by a group of Chemical Formula 6, wherein:

$M$  is a transition metal of Group 4;

$(C_5R^1_m)$  and  $(C_5R^1_n)$  each comprise a cyclopentadienyl ring, wherein each  $R^1$ , which can be the same or different, is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen,  $C_{1-40}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-40}$  cycloalkyl,  $C_{1-40}$  aryl,  $C_{1-40}$  alkenyl,  $C_{1-40}$  alkylaryl,  $C_{1-40}$  arylalkyl,  $C_{1-40}$  arylalkenyl, and a metalloid of Group 14 substituted by a hydrocarbyl group; and two  $R^1$  can form a hydrocarbyl group which joins together two adjacent carbon atoms of a cyclopentadienyl ring to form one or more  $C_4 - C_{16}$  rings;

$D$  is selected from the group consisting of an alkylene carbon chain, an arylene carbon chain, an alkenylene carbon chain, a dialkyl germanium, a dialkyl silicon, an alkyl phosphine, an alkyl amine group substituting on and bridging two cyclopentadienyl ligands, and an alkyl amine group substituting on and bridging a cyclopentadienyl ligand and  $JR^2_{z-y}$  ligand by a covalent bond;

$R^2$  is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen,  $C_{1-40}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-40}$  aryl,  $C_{1-40}$  alkenyl,  $C_{1-40}$  alkylaryl, and  $C_{1-40}$  arylalkyl;

$J$  comprises an element of Group 15 or Group 16;

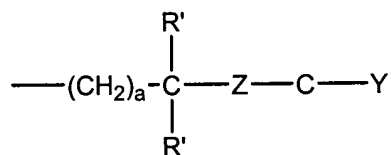
each  $Q$ , which can be the same or different, is selected from the group consisting of halogen,  $C_{1-20}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-20}$  alkenyl,  $C_{1-20}$  aryl,  $C_{1-20}$  alkylaryl, and  $C_{1-20}$  alkylidene;

$L$  comprises a Lewis base;

$s$  is 0 or 1 and  $p$  is 0, 1 or 2, provided that when  $p$  is 0 then  $s$  is 0, when  $s$  is 1 then  $m$  is 4 and  $p$  is 1, and when  $s$  is 0 then  $m$  is 5 and  $p$  is 0;

z is a valence number of J, provided that when J is an atom of Group 15 then z is 3, and when J is an atom of Group 16 then z is 2;

x is 0 or 1, provided that when x is 0 then n is 5, y is 1, and w is greater than 0, and when x is 1, then n is 4, y is 2, and w is 0; and wherein Chemical Formula 6 comprises:



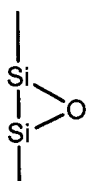
wherein, Z is oxygen atom or sulfur atom;

each R', which can be the same or different, is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> cycloalkyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> aryl, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkylaryl, C<sub>1-20</sub> arylalkyl, and C<sub>1-20</sub> arylalkenyl; and two R' can join together to form a ring;

Y is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> cycloalkyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> aryl, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkylaryl, C<sub>1-20</sub> arylalkyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> arylalkenyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkoxy, C<sub>1-20</sub> aryloxy, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkylthio, C<sub>1-20</sub> arylthio, phenyl, and substituted phenyl; and Y and R' can join together to form a ring;

a is an integer of 4 to 8, provided that when Z is a sulfur atom then Y is alkoxy or aryloxy; and when Y is not an alkoxy or aryloxy then Z is an oxygen atom; and

b) a silica support of formula:



16. The supported metallocene compound according to claim 15, wherein Y is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> cycloalkyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> aryl, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> alkylaryl, C<sub>1-20</sub> arylalkyl, C<sub>1-20</sub> arylalkenyl, phenyl, and substituted phenyl.

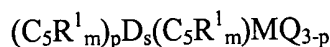
17. The supported metallocene compound according to claim 15, wherein Y comprises t-butyl.

18. The supported metallocene compound according to claim 15, wherein the silica support comprises a hydroxyl group amount of less than 0.5 mmol/g.

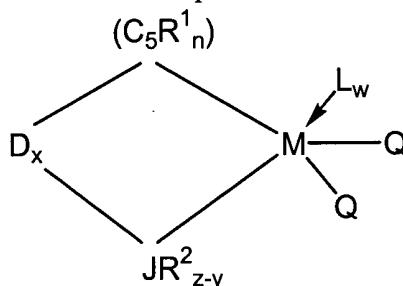
19. The supported metallocene compound according to claim 15, wherein a is 6.

20. A method for preparing a supported metallocene compound, the method comprising the step of:

reacting a metallocene compound of Chemical Formula 1 or Chemical Formula 2 with a silica support in an organic solvent, wherein Chemical Formula 1 comprises:



and wherein Chemical Formula 2 comprises:



wherein at least one hydrogen atom of R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, and D is substituted by a group of Chemical Formula 6, wherein:

M is a transition metal of Group 4;

(C<sub>5</sub>R<sup>1</sup><sub>m</sub>) and (C<sub>5</sub>R<sup>1</sup><sub>n</sub>) each comprise a cyclopentadienyl ring, wherein each R<sup>1</sup>, which can be the same or different, is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, C<sub>1-40</sub> alkyl, C<sub>1-40</sub> cycloalkyl, C<sub>1-40</sub> aryl, C<sub>1-40</sub> alkenyl, C<sub>1-40</sub> alkylaryl, C<sub>1-40</sub> arylalkyl, C<sub>1-40</sub> arylalkenyl, and a metalloid of Group 14 substituted by a hydrocarbyl group; and two R<sup>1</sup> can form a hydrocarbyl group which joins together two adjacent carbon atoms of a cyclopentadienyl ring to form one or more C<sub>4</sub> – C<sub>16</sub> rings;

D is selected from the group consisting of an alkylene carbon chain, an arylene carbon chain, an alkenylene carbon chain, a dialkyl germanium, a dialkyl silicon, an alkyl phosphine, an alkyl amine group substituting on and bridging two cyclopentadienyl ligands, and an alkyl amine group substituting



on and bridging a cyclopentadienyl ligand and  $JR^2_{z-y}$  ligand by a covalent bond;

$R^2$  is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen,  $C_{1-40}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-40}$  aryl,  $C_{1-40}$  alkenyl,  $C_{1-40}$  alkylaryl, and  $C_{1-40}$  arylalkyl;

J comprises an element of Group 15 or Group 16;

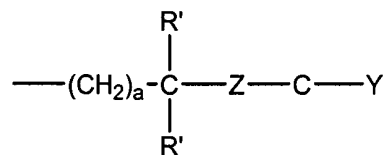
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L comprises a Lewis base;

s is 0 or 1 and p is 0, 1 or 2, provided that when p is 0 then s is 0, when s is 1 then m is 4 and p is 1, and when s is 0 then m is 5 and p is 0;

z is a valence number of J, provided that when J is an atom of Group 15 then z is 3, and when J is an atom of Group 16 then z is 2;

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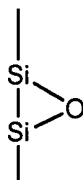
wherein, Z is oxygen atom or sulfur atom;

each  $R'$ , which can be the same or different, is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen,  $C_{1-20}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-20}$  cycloalkyl,  $C_{1-20}$  aryl,  $C_{1-20}$  alkenyl,  $C_{1-20}$  alkylaryl,  $C_{1-20}$  arylalkyl, and  $C_{1-20}$  arylalkenyl; and two  $R'$  can join together to form a ring;

Y is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen,  $C_{1-20}$  alkyl,  $C_{1-20}$  cycloalkyl,  $C_{1-20}$  aryl,  $C_{1-20}$  alkenyl,  $C_{1-20}$  alkylaryl,  $C_{1-20}$  arylalkyl,  $C_{1-20}$  arylalkenyl,  $C_{1-20}$  alkoxy,  $C_{1-20}$  aryloxy,  $C_{1-20}$  alkylthio,  $C_{1-20}$  arylthio, phenyl, and substituted phenyl; and Y and  $R'$  can join together to form a ring;

a is an integer of 4 to 8, provided that when Z is a sulfur atom then Y is alkoxy or aryloxy; and when Y is not an alkoxy or aryloxy then Z is an oxygen atom; and

wherein the silica support is of formula:



whereby an oxygen-carbon bond in Chemical Formula 6 of the metallocene compound is cleaved to yield a metallocene compound portion and a remaining portion, and whereby the metallocene compound portion is bonded to a silica atom of the silica support via an oxygen atom, and simultaneously the remaining portion is bonded to another silica atom of the silica support via an oxygen atom.